

II. REMARKS

A. Status of the Claims

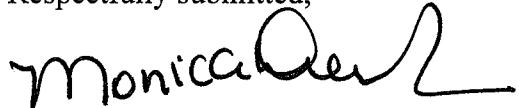
Claims 2-11 and 18-19 were pending in the case. Claim 18 has been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. No claims have been amended, and no new claims have been added. Therefore, claims 2-11 and 19 are currently under consideration.

B. Teleconference with Examiner and Interview Summary

On June 14, 2007, Examiner Aradhana Sasan telephoned Applicants' representative and left a message indicating that she would be willing to allow the case if claim 18 was canceled. She indicated that claim 18 is a substantial duplicate of claim 11. Applicants' representative, Monica De La Paz, telephoned the Examiner's office on June 15, 2007, and left a message indicating that Applicants would agree to the cancellation of claim 18. Applicants herein subject this amendment cancelling claim 18, thus placing the remaining claims in condition for allowance.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that each of the pending claims is in condition for allowance, and a Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-5639 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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